

HONORING JOHN MOTON

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 3, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a longtime member of my staff, John Moton, for his work in my office and his service to our state.

John has been on our team for over two years now, serving as our District Coordinator in our Shelbyville office. In this role, John is responsible for helping coordinate district events, serving as a constituent liaison, and helping individuals navigate the federal bureaucracy. John also serves as the Vice Chairman of the Ripley County Republican Party.

On a personal note, I admire John's loyalty, intellect and work ethic. He has been a valuable member of our team, and I have no doubt John's future is very bright. I want to thank John for his friendship and his hard work in our office. I wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

HONORING UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA-LED NASA MISSION OF OSIRIS-REX ARRIVAL AT BENNU

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA

OF ARIZONA

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Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of University of Arizona-led NASA mission of spacecraft OSIRIS-REX and its successful arrival at the asteroid Bennu. Launched two years ago, the Origins, Spectral Interpretation, Resource Identification, Security-Regolith Explorer (OSIRIS-REX) mission is the first of its kind with a goal of returning a sample of the asteroid to Earth. Over the next year, the spacecraft will fly within close proximity of Bennu, map its surface, and use highly specialized instruments to collect a small sample from the asteroid that will be returned to Earth in 2023. This mission will aid scientists in investigating the most fundamental questions of our universe—namely how planets formed and how life began. Further, OSIRIS-REX will improve our understanding of asteroids that have the potential to impact Earth.

OSIRIS-REX will also determine Bennu's physical and chemical properties, which will be critical to know in the event of an impact mitigation mission. Asteroids like Bennu contain natural resources such as water, organics, and precious metals. In the future, these asteroids may one day fuel the exploration of the solar system by robotic and manned spacecraft.

I am extremely proud that Tucson is once again a key player in a critical NASA mission, just as it has been with many others throughout our Nation's history. OSIRIS-REX is an \$800 million University of Arizona-led NASA mission and it's traveling to Bennu because its regolith may record the earliest history of our solar system. Discovered in 1999, Bennu is relatively close to Earth with an orbit that crosses ours every six years. These close encounters give Bennu a high probability of im-

pacting Earth in the late 22nd century. Data collected from this mission will help predict Bennu's movements and identify ways to deflect asteroids in the future. Among all the asteroids in space, Bennu was also selected because it is large enough that a spacecraft can safely come in contact with it to collect samples. Its diameter is wider than the height of the Empire State Building. By contrast, however, Bennu will be the smallest object ever to be orbited by a spacecraft.

The most unique aspect of the OSIRIS-REX mission is the large and pristine sample that will be brought back to Earth, which will allow scientists to research the origins of our universe and galaxy and help us answer some of the most profound and fundamental questions that have intrigued mankind since our beginnings. The OSIRIS-REX mission is funded by NASA and its science is led by the University of Arizona (UA). I would like to once again congratulate Dr. Dante Lauretta of the UA Lunar and Planetary Laboratory for his leadership as principal investigator and, along with his team, for bringing this exciting mission to the launch stage. I understand that Dante has been working on this concept for the last 15 years, and I greatly look forward to celebrating even more milestones with his team as the mission progresses. This mission is the latest in a long list of achievements by scientists at the University of Arizona in my home district. In fact, UA scientists have collaborated in every single American mission to the Moon and Mars since 1964, including serving as the lead on the Phoenix Mars Mission.

The University of Arizona will house mission science operations control, as it did for the Phoenix Mars mission, continuing to involve undergraduate and graduate students in the research over—150 students so far, which will help cultivate the next generation of STEM leaders—many of whom will be from my home state of Arizona. I wish the OSIRIS REX team the best of luck in their historic mission and congratulate them in their profound success.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO REQUIRE THE DIRECTOR OF THE COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY TO RESIDE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 3, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce a bill to require the Director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) and the District of Columbia Pretrial Services Agency (PSA) to reside in the District of Columbia during their tenure.

CSOSA is an independent federal agency created by Congress in the Revitalization Act that supervises only D.C. offenders on parole, probation and supervised release. PSA is an independent agency within CSOSA that supervises D.C. and federal defendants. This bill would be prospective and not apply to those already in office upon enactment.

Congress has justifiably understood that federal officials must live in the jurisdiction they serve to ensure in-depth knowledge of the unique issues and challenges residents and these federal officials face, but federal officials serving the District have been excluded from such a requirement. This patronizing leftover from when the District was governed by the federal government has real effects on residents. There is no reason that the Directors of CSOSA and PSA, federal agencies that uniquely serve D.C. residents, should not be required to live in the District, engage with local communities and work closely with local officials. Adding residency requirements for federal officials serving the District is a matter of fairness that would make D.C. more like the states and even the territories, who enjoy residency requirements.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

HONORING MATTHEW TULLY

HON. LUKE MESSER

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Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Indianapolis Star columnist Matthew Tully, who recently passed away at the age of 49 following a two-year battle with cancer.

My heart broke to learn of Matt's passing. To me, Matt was Indiana's most prominent political writer. We didn't always agree, but I never questioned that Matt was doing his best to get the facts and communicate the truth as he saw it. Most importantly, he was an even better person and I considered him a great friend.

Matt is survived by his wife, Valerie, and their 7-year-old son, Reid. The Messer family will continue praying for his family as they mourn his passing.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2018 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.